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Attached are proposed remarks for your use in introducing the President at the groundbreaking ceremonies, both inside and outside the building, on Thursday, 24 May.

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George V. Lauder

DCI Introduction Outside Building

Ladies and Gentlemen:

- Twenty-five years ago President Eisenhower came here to lay the cornerstone of this building we are gathered behind today. Who could have foreseen that in a scant quarter century our reliance on computers would become so great that the space they require would force many of us right out of our Headquarters Building and scatter us all over Washington? Because of the dedication of this Administration and the Congress to insuring that American intelligence is the finest in the world today, we are gathered here to break the ground upon which a major new addition to our Headquarters will one day stand.
- This distinguished gathering includes many who have played major roles in bringing us to this day:
 - + Members of Congress....
 - + Representatives of our McLean neighbors....
 - + Distinguished guests....
 - + And my fellow members of CIA and the Intelligence Community....
- Today we are honored by the visit of another great President of the United States.
 - Ladies and Gentlemen, President Ronald Reagan.

DCI Introduction Inside Building

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In a few minutes it will be my great pleasure to escort both the President and the Vice President of the United States to the rear of this building to take part in a groundbreaking ceremony—the kind of public ceremony that many of you can never attend because of your cover status and the danger of exposure—but this ceremony is as much for you as for anybody—and the President wishes to speak to you personally.

Mr. President, it is with great pride that I introduce to you many of the men and women of CIA who serve their country anonymously but with great distinction.

Ladies and Gentlemen, the President of the United States.